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In re Application of:)
KEIICHI IWAMURA) : Examiner: Unassigned
Application No. : 09/660,444) : Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filed: September 12, 2000) :
For: IMAGE PROCESSING) December 8, 2000
APPARATUS AND METHOD AND :
STORAGE MEDIUM)

The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was either cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned

after making a reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual having a duty to disclose under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 (c) more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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